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SECOND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the outstanding Final Office Action, mailed February 16, 2005, in connection with the above application. A Notice of Appeal was received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 19, 2005. Applicants previously filed a Petition for an extension of the period for filing an Appeal Brief in the above identified application for one month. Applicants respectfully request an extension of the period for filing an Appeal Brief in the above identified application for a second month under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a); no Appeal Brief is being filed at this time. A Petition for a second month extension of time is filed herewith. Please enter the following amendments:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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